Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: It is very difficult for a person who lives elsewhere to find out on which date or in which month the crop will be harvested.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: Unless we insist upon this return it will be very difficult for us to trace the actual cultivator. It is for that purpose that we insist that the land-owner should give us the information.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Would you be kind enough to state that it is enough if the name of the actual cultivator is given and also the changes of tenancy.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: This is a piece of information which could be given without any difficulty.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: This is insisted on to know the exact quantity of paddy that will be available with the landholder for purposes of acquisition. Form B applies to those landholders who are in actual possession and cultivation of the land.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi)*: May I know whether people are prosecuted for slight mistakes in the returns?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: They are not prosecuted for any accidental mistakes. For deliberate attempt to defeat the Government prosecutions are ordered.

19. Mr. C. K. Nayar *(Nemmara)*:

(എ) താസിൽദാരോ അദ്ദേഹം നിയോഗിക്കുന്ന ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരോ നല്കുന്ന നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ അനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിക്കാതിരിക്കുന്നതു കാരണമാണെന്നു വിരിപ്പുകൊയ്ത്തിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു ഫുഡ് സപ്ലൈവകുപ്പിൽനിന്നും പരസ്യം ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ലേ;

(ബി) ഇതനുസരിച്ചു താസിൽദാർമാക്ക് വല്ല നിശ്ചിതനിർദ്ദേശങ്ങളും ഗവണ്മെന്റു നല്കീട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(സി) ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്തെല്ലാം ?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*:

(എ) ഉവ്വ്.

(ബി) പ്രത്യേകമായി നല്കിയിട്ടില്ല. ആവശ്യവുമില്ല.

(സി) ഉത്തരം ആവശ്യമില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: തഹശീൽദാരോ കീഴിലുള്ള അധികാരപ്പെടുത്തുന്ന ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരോ പറയുന്നതെല്ലാം കേൾക്കണമെന്നാണോ നിർദ്ദേശം?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: They have been particularly instructed to be very careful in giving instructions and every complaint received is being enquired into.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I know whether the deputies of the Grain Purchasing Tahsildars do not insist upon a kychit being executed by the cultivator that on harvest so many paras of paddy will be measured out to the Government.

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies)*: They do not insist but in several cases such things are done. It is advantageous to both parties that they come to an agreement after looking into the figures, the probable yield, his requirements how much he could spare and that is put into writing. That is the advantage. Any officer can afterwards go and take the paddy. It need not necessarily be the officer who conducted the enquiry. So we put all the above information in writing. But it is not compulsory and we have asked the officers not to compel any one to do it.

Mr. President: Order, order. The time for questions has expired.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: May I point out to the Hon'ble Chair the precedent in this House and systematically followed till recently that when a question is taken up before the hour strikes, that question is allowed to be completed.

Mr. President: I am afraid I cannot follow that precedent.

20. Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

the total quantity of paddy commandeered or purchased fram Talappalli and Chittur during this Kanni harvest up to 30th Thulam 1120 ?

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